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1. [redacted] report dealing with the Klicava dam on the Klicava river, about 5 kilometers north of Zbecno (N 50-02, E 13-56) in the Kladno area.
2. According to the report, construction of this dam started in 1948 and was still not fully completed, though the reservoir was beginning to fill with water in the autumn of 1956. The purpose of the dam is to provide a water reservoir which will supply water to the whole Kladno area.

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KLICAVA Water Dam

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1. In 1948, construction of a new water reservoir has began in order to supply with consumption water the entire Kladno region. Although the construction started in 1948, it was still not completed in summer 1956 and only in autumn 1956 the lake started to be filled in. Work on the construction was done mostly by prisoners majority of whom were monks. Safety precautions were very poor and many of the monks working there lost their life. At the same time two filtering stations were built and new water pipes imbedded for the city of Kladno. Also a new communication has been started in 1956.
2. The KLICAVA Dam is located about 20 kilometers southwest of Kladno. From the Zbecno village, where the Klicava river flows in the Berounka river, the dam is about 5 kilometers distant, in the north direction.
3. Legend to attached sketch:
 1. Water dam - is on the same level as the former road Vasirov - Subrtova Myslivna - Hajovna Klicava - Dvur Pozary. The road has been well repaired and leads over the dam in about 8 meters width. The dam is about 150 meters long on its ridge.
 2. Lake - is about 1,000 meters long and its widest point (about 500 meters) is at its middle. (The lake is situated on a former hiking camp where many wooden huts were standing and their owners were forced to move.)
 3. Filtrating stations - two filtrating stations were built on the east side of the dam. These are of re-inforced concrete structure and are about the height of a 3-story building.
 4. Water pipes - newly laid, of 1 meter in diameter, imbedded along the Klicava river up to Zbecno village and then leading through Zilina onward to Kladno.
 5. New communication - along the lake on its west side is a new road being built construction of which began in 1956.

The entire area around the lake is restricted to visitors - many signs are displayed to that effect. However, in 1956, none of the visitors were apprehended when caught trespassing. The purpose of the Klicava Dam is to overcome the critical shortage of drinking water in the Kladno region.

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